

# Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/606,255

Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 7/15/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 12-18.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 10/23/03 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
    1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
    3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
  6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
    - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
      - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

## Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other

  
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Response to Amendment***

The after-Final amendment filed on July 15, 2005 1.131 is sufficient to overcome the prior art reference.

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

-Claim 12, line 7, "*A guide control unit*" changed to read **—said guide control unit—**

### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

Claims 12-18 are allowed.

The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: As noted in the Final Office Action, the prior art of record does not disclose or fairly suggest a tool table comprising *trolley rails mounted about the circumference of the base or a trolley connected to the guide control unit* in combination with the rest of the claimed limitations as set forth in claim 18.

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Further, the prior art of record does not disclose or fairly suggest a tool table comprising *an upper plate and lower plate pivotally connected to each other to form a guide control unit* in combination with the rest of the claimed limitations as set forth in claim 12.

The prior art reference, Wiley discloses a tool table comprising: a table top assembly (10) a rectangular base assembly (24), a guide control unit and extendible work supports (22,23; figs. 1, 2); a portable table tool support bracket (fig.5) and a gear/(return & drive) sprocket assembly (146,148,150,152,154), hand crank (156) and chain (148) connected to the base in communication with the guide control unit (fig. 1), an adjustment lock (40, 42, 44, 46, 48) connected between the hand crank and the sprocket (fig. 5), a drive shaft connected between the hand crank(156) and the drive sprocket (152). Wiley is silent to any trolley rails or trolley connected to the guide control unit. Further, Wiley is silent to a pivotally attached upper and lower plate forming a guide control unit. Accordingly, Wiley fails to disclose or fairly suggest the invention as set forth in claims 12 and 18.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shelley Self whose telephone number is (571) 272-4524. The examiner can normally be reached Mon-Fri from 8:30am to 5:00pm. If attempts to reach the

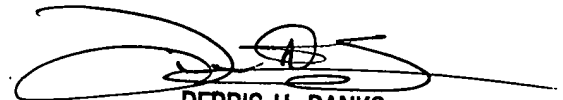
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examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's Supervisor, Derris Banks can be reached at (571) 272-4419. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (571) 273-8300 for regular and After Final communications.

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